Public Notice

Applicant:

Date: Steve and Nellie Taylor

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

In Reply Refer To:

Buffalo District CELRB-TD-R RE: 2003-00420(0) Section: NY 10 and 404

> Application for Permit under Authority of Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

Steve and Nellie Taylor, P.O. Box 1083, Thousand Island Park, New York 13692 have applied for Department of the Army authorization to perform work along the shoreline of the Saint Lawrence River. The project is located on Prospect Avenue, at the Ice House parking area within the Thousand Island Park, Wellsley Island, Town of Orleans, Jefferson County, New York.

The applicant is proposing to demolish, and remove from the waterway, a dilapidated timber crib supported boat house, replace an existing timber crib dock, and construct a second timber crib dock.

The National Park Service, and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation are hereby notified that the Thousand Island Park has been designated as a Historic District, and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. However, it is the District Commander's initial assessment that the proposed work will have "no effect" on the historic property.

The purpose of the project is to remove the safety hazard caused by the dilapidated structures and to provide mooring and safe access to the Saint Lawrence River.

Location and details of the above described work are shown on the attached maps and drawings.

Questions pertaining to the work described in this notice should be directed to Heather L. Adams, who can be contacted by calling (716) 879-4256, or by e-mail at: heather.l.adams@lrb01.usace.army.mil

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with New York's approved Coastal Zone Management Program and will be conducted in a manner consistent with that program. Any comments on the consistency of the proposed activity with New York State's Coastal Zone Management Program should be forwarded to:

> Ms. Laurissa Parent New York Department of State Division of Coastal Resources Consistency Coordinator Coastal Management Program 41 State Street Albany, New York 12231-0001 Telephone (518) 486-3200

The following authorization(s) may be required for this project:

Water Quality Certification (or waiver thereof) from the New York State Department of Environmental Conserv

In addition, available evidence indicates that the proposed work will not affect a species proposed or designated by the U.S. Department of the Interior as threatened or endangered, nor will it affect the critical habitat of any such species.

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations, parts 320-330. Any interested party desiring to comment on the work described herein may do so by submitting their comments, in writing, so that they are received no later than 4:30 pm on the expiration date of this notice.

Comments should be sent to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, New York 14207, and should be marked to the attention of Heather L. Adams, or by e-mail at: heather.l.adams@lrb01.usace.army.mil. A lack of response will be interpreted as meaning that there is no objection to the work as proposed.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be fully considered during the public interest review for this permit application. All written comments will be made a part of the administrative record which is available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act. The Administrative Record, or portions thereof may also be posted on a Corps of Engineers internet web site. Due to resource limitations, this office will normally not acknowledge the receipt of comments or respond to individual letters of comment.

Any individual may request a public hearing by submitting their written request, stating the specific reasons for holding a hearing, in the same manner and time period as other comments.

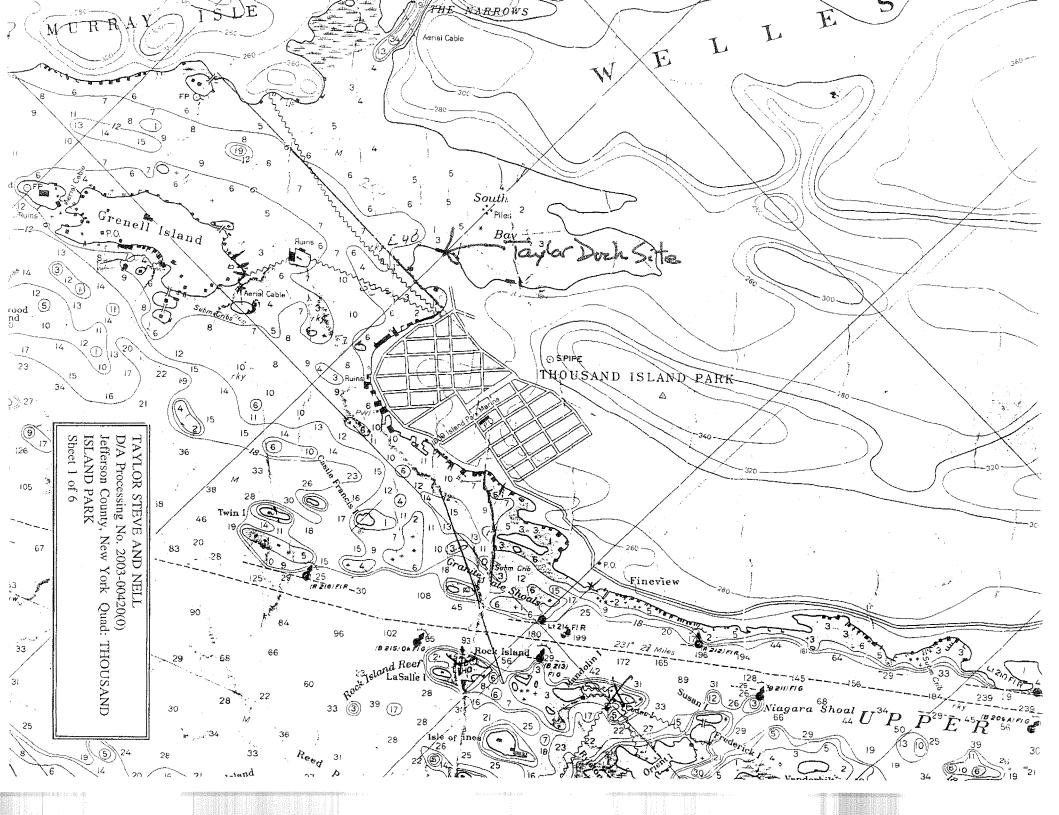
Public hearings for the purposes of the Corps permit program will be held when the District Commander determines he can obtain additional information, not available in written comments, that will aid him in the decision making process for this application. A Corps hearing is not a source of information for the general public, nor a forum for the resolution of issues or conflicting points of view (witnesses are not sworn and cross examination is prohibited). Hearings will not be held to obtain information on issues unrelated to the work requiring a permit, such as property ownership, neighbor disputes, or the behavior or actions of the public or applicant on upland property not regulated by the Department of the Army. Information obtained from a public hearing is given no greater weight than that obtained from written comments. Therefore, you should not fail to make timely written comments because a hearing might be held.

The decision to approve or deny this permit request will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among these are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

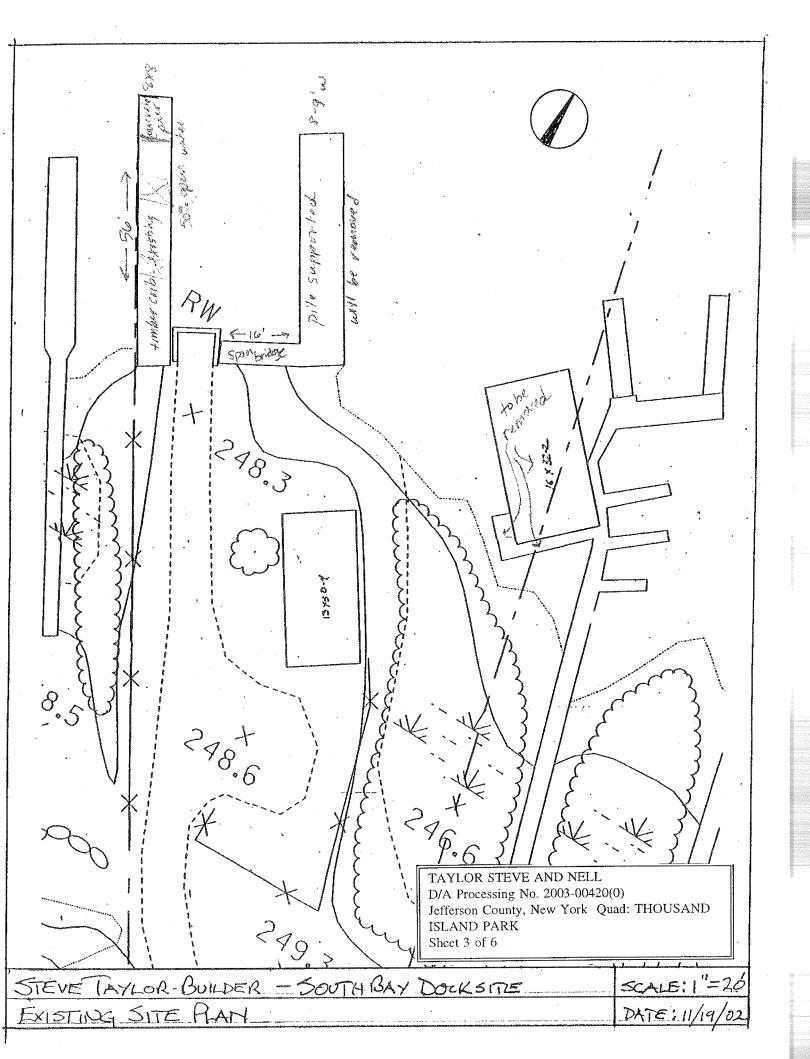
The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

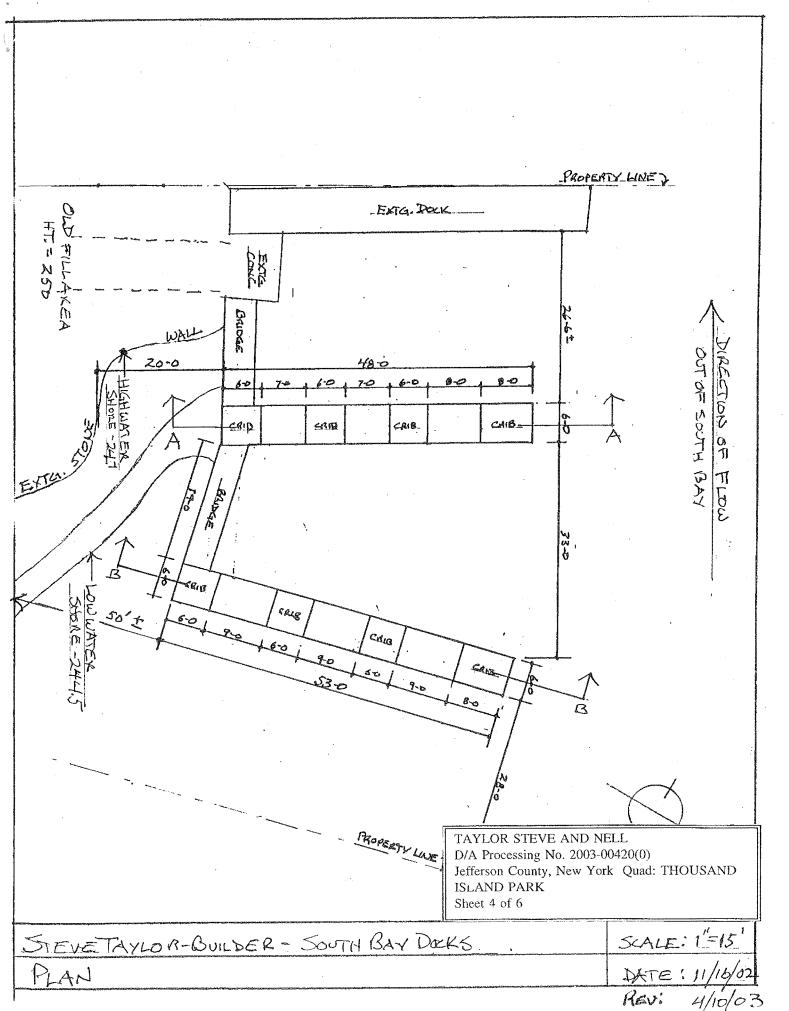
Thomas C. Switala Chief, Regulatory Branch

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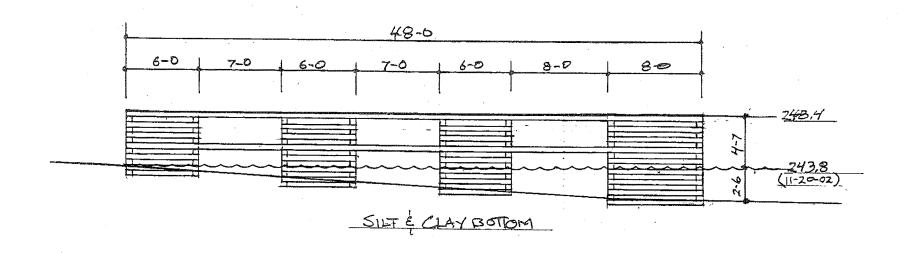








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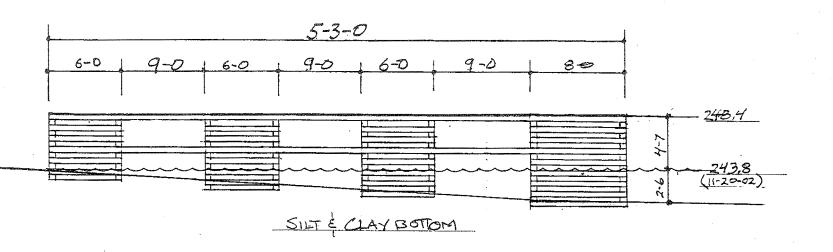
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ISLAND PARK

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STEVE TAYLOR - BUILDER - SOUTHBAY DOCKS SCALE; 18"=1"
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